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The meeting was called to order at 4.20 p.m.

ESTABLISHMENT OF A COMMISSION ON CRIME PREVENTION AND CRIMINAL JUSTICE (continued) (E/1992/L.13 and 14)

The PRESIDENT drew attention to the draft decisions entitled "Date and venue of the first session of the Commission on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice" (E/1992/L.13) and "Provisional agenda and documentation for the first session of the Commission on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice" (E/1992/L.14).

If he heard no objection, he would take it that the Council wished to adopt the two draft decisions.

It was so decided.

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA AND OTHER ORGANIZATIONAL MATTERS (continued) (E/1992/2 and Add.1, E/1992/9; and E/1992/L.11)

BASIC PROGRAMME OF WORK OF THE COUNCIL (E/1992/1 and Add.1; and E/1992/L.11)

The PRESIDENT drew attention to the proposals of the Secretary-General contained in document E/1992/1 and Add.1. He recalled that the Council, in resolution 1988/77 entitled "Revitalization of the Economic and Social Council", had mandated the President, in cooperation with other members of the Bureau, to arrange consultations on the draft programme of work, provisional agenda and other matters before the Council at its organizational session prior to the commencement of the session. Since the Council's first meeting, four informal meetings of the Council had been held, as well as a series of bilateral consultations with representatives of groups and members of the Council who were not included in any group. As a result of those consultations, he and members of the Bureau had submitted the draft proposals contained in document E/1992/L.11.

Draft decision I: High-level segment of the Economic and Social Council of 1992

Draft decision I was adopted.

Draft decision II: Coordination segment of the Economic and Social Council of 1992

The PRESIDENT said that subparagraph (a) of draft decision II should read:

"That the coordination segment shall be devoted to the coordination of policies and activities of the specialized agencies, organs, organizations and bodies of the United Nations system relating to the following themes:

(a) Assistance in the eradication of poverty and support to vulnerable groups, including during the implementation of structural adjustment programmes;

(b) Prevention and control of HIV/AIDS and programmes addressed to the mitigation of its negative socio-economic consequences."

Draft decision II, as orally revised, was adopted.

Draft decision III: Proposed provisional agenda for the regular session of 1992 (29 June-31 July 1992)

The PRESIDENT suggested that the word "regular" in the title should be replaced by the word "substantive".

He suggested that item 2 of the provisional agenda with regard to segments other than the high-level segment should read:

"2. Coordination of policies and activities of the specialized agencies, organs, organizations and bodies of the United Nations system relating to the following themes:

(a) Assistance in the eradication of poverty and support to vulnerable groups, including during the implementation of structural adjustment programmes;

(b) Prevention and control of acquired immunodeficiency syndrome (AIDS) and the programmes addressed to the mitigation of its negative socio-economic consequences."

He further suggested that item 3 should become "Operational activities for development", and that item 4 should read: "Technical cooperation among developing countries as a modality in all stages of project cycles in the United Nations system". The latter item would be considered as a separate item in the operational activities segment. Consequential adjustments would

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be required in the section of the draft decision concerning the allocation of items.

Draft decision III, as orally revised, was adopted.

Draft decision IV: Regional cooperation

Draft decision IV was adopted.

Draft decision V: Reports of the World Food Council and the Committee on the Development and Utilization of New and Renewable Sources of Energy

Draft decision V was adopted.

Draft decision VI: Transmittal of reports of intergovernmental bodies to the General Assembly

Draft decision VI was adopted.

Draft decision VII: Basic programme of work of the Economic and Social Council for 1993

Draft decision VII was adopted.

Draft decision VIII: Dates of the fifteenth session of the Working Group on International Statistical Programmes and Coordination

Draft decision VIII was adopted.

Draft decision IX: Meeting of the Subcommission on Illicit Drug Traffic and Related Matters in the Near and Middle East

Draft decision IX was adopted.

Draft decision X: Sixteenth session of the Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia

Draft decision X was adopted.

Draft decision XI: Twenty-seventh session of the Economic Commission for Africa and the eighteenth meeting of the Conference of Ministers of the Commission

Draft decision XI was adopted.

Draft decision XII: Consultations with the Committee on Conferences in regard to the calendar of conferences and meetings in the economic and social fields

Draft decision XII was adopted.

Draft resolution I: Amendments to the rules of procedure of the Economic and Social Council

The PRESIDENT said that all references in draft resolution I to the "regular session" should be corrected to read "substantive session".

Draft resolution I, as orally revised, was adopted.

The PRESIDENT said that no consensus had been reached in the Council with regard to the letter dated 3 February 1992 from the Chairman of the forty-eighth session of the Commission on Human Rights (E/1992/9). The question of consideration of the matter brought up in the letter remained open pending further consultations to be held before the resumed organizational session in April 1992.

CLOSURE OF THE SESSION

After an exchange of courtesies, the PRESIDENT declared the organizational session for 1992 closed.

The meeting rose at 4.40 p.m.